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RESPONSE

Sir:

This response addresses the Office Action mailed September 10, 2003. Also submitted herewith is a Second Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 of Rogerio A. Lobo, M.D. Reconsideration and allowance of the above-identified application are respectfully requested in view of the declaration and the following remarks.

Accompanying this response is a timely request for a one month extension of time under C.F.R. § 1.136.

REMARKS

Claims 7, 11, 12 and 69 are now pending in the above-referenced application.

Claims 7, 11, 12 and 69 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4,826,831, Re 36,247 (hereinafter, "Plunkett"). This rejection respectfully is traversed.